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PER CAPITA INCOME IN BIHAR
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the per capita income in Bihar is lowest in the country upon bifurcation;

(b) whether Government have any proposal to increase per capita income in Bihar; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DISINVESTMENT, MINISTER OF STATE INN TH MINISTRIES OF PLANNING, STATISTICS & PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION & MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE)

(a) The estimates of per capita income are compiled by the state Directorates of Economics & Statistics (DESs) of the respective State Governments. After bifurcation of erstwhile Bihar, the newly created state of Bihar is required to send information on per capita income of the State. But the same has not been furnished by the State so far. However, information on per capita income (per capita NSDP) at current prices (position as on 15.11.2000 of the undivided State of Bihar as per the quick estimates (as worked out by the Central Statistical Organisation) during 1998-99 was lowest in the country.

(b) & (c) Increase in per capita income will come about by implementing such schemes which are economically productive and lowering the rate of growth of population. State Government of Bihar itself is responsible for taking up such schemes as would meet these objectives.